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Sir:

Applicants hereby respectfully request acknowledgement of receipt of the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) submitted on July 13, 2006, and proof that the references submitted therewith were considered by the Examiner, in the form an Examiner-initialed copy of the Form PTO 1449 that was submitted with the IDS. Enclosed herewith as proof is a copy of the PTO-stamped postcard (Exhibit A) indicating a July 17, 2006, receipt date of the IDS. The postcard lists the IDS (Exhibit B) and accompanying Transmittal Form (Exhibit C) and 7 references (Exhibits D through J).

This matter was brought to the attention of Examiner Ramy Ramadan in a telephone conversation conducted on April 21, 2009. Examiner Ramadan's suggestion was to file this communication to thereby formally request consideration of the IDS.

Early favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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